- or a pharmaceutically acceptable solvate of a pharmaceutically acceptable salt of a compound of Formula I.
- **2**. A compound according to claim **1**, wherein if either R_2 or R_2 is hydrogen, then the other is not hydrogen.
- 3. A compound according to claim 1, wherein R_2 and R_2 are hydrogen and R_1 is chosen from optionally substituted aryl-, optionally substituted aralkyl-, optionally substituted heteroaryl-, and optionally substituted heteroaralkyl-, provided however, that R_1 is not substituted phenyl.
- **4.** A compound according to claim **1, 2** or **3,** wherein R_5 , R_6 , R_7 and R_8 are each independently selected from hydrogen, amino, alkylamino, hydroxyl, halogen, C_1 - C_4 alkyl, C_1 - C_4 haloalkyl, C_1 - C_4 alkoxy, C_1 - C_4 haloalkoxy and cyano.
- **5.** A compound according to claim **4**, wherein R_5 , R_6 , R_7 and R_8 are each independently selected from hydrogen, cyano, methoxy, and halogen.
- **6**. A compound according to claim **5**, wherein R_5 , R_6 , and R_8 are each hydrogen and R_7 is cyano, methoxy or halogen.
- 7. A compound according to claim 1 or 2, wherein R_2 is optionally substituted C_1 - C_4 alkyl and R_2 is hydrogen or optionally substituted C_1 - C_4 alkyl.
- **8**. A compound according to claim 7, wherein R_2 is hydrogen and R_2 is optionally substituted C_1 - C_4 alkyl.
- 9. A compound according to claim 8, wherein R_2 is hydrogen and R_2 is ethyl or propy.
- 10. A compound according to claim 9, wherein R₂ is i-propyl.
- 11. A compound according to claim 1 or 2, wherein R_1 is hydrogen, optionally substituted C_1 - C_4 alkyl, optionally substituted phenyl- C_1 - C_4 -alkyl-, optionally substituted naphthalenylmethyl, optionally substituted phenyl, or naphthyl.
- 12. A compound according to claim 11, wherein R_1 is optionally substituted phenyl- C_1 - C_4 -alkyl- or optionally substituted naphthalenylmethyl-.
- 13. A compound according to claim 11, wherein R_1 is naphthyl, phenyl, bromophenyl, chlorophenyl, methoxyphenyl, ethoyphenyl, tolyl, dimethylphenyl, chorofluorophenyl, methylchlorophenyl, ethylphenyl, phenethyl, benzyl, chlorobenzyl, methylbenzyl, methoxybenzyl, cyanobenzyl, hydroxybenzyl, dichlorobenzyl, dimethoxybenzyl, or naphthalenylmethyl.
- 14. A compound according to claim 13, wherein R_1 is benzyl-, cyanobenzyl-, methoxybenzyl-, or naphthalenylmethyl.
- 15. A compound according to claim 14, wherein R_1 is benzyl.
- **16**. A compound according to claim **1** or **3**, wherein R_1 is optionally substituted aryl- C_1 - C_4 -alkyl- or optionally substituted heteroaryl- C_1 - C_4 -alkyl-.
- 17. A compound according to claim 16, wherein R_1 is optionally substituted phenyl- C_1 - C_4 -alkyl- and optionally substituted naphthalenylmethyl.
- **18**. A compound according to claim **16**, wherein R_1 is benzyl, chlorobenzyl, methylbenzyl, methoxybenzyl, cyanobenzyl, hydroxybenzyl, dichlorobenzyl, dimethoxybenzyl, or naphthalenylmethyl.
- 19. A compound according to claim 18, wherein R_1 is benzyl-, cyanobenzyl-, methoxybenzyl-, or naphthalenylmethyl.
- 20. A compound according to claim 19, wherein \mathbf{R}_1 is benzyl.
- **21**. A compound according to claim **1**, **2** or **3**, wherein R_{12} is $-N(R_4)(COR_3)$ and R_3 is selected from optionally substituted alkyl-, optionally substituted aralkyl-, optionally sub-

- stituted heteroaralkyl-, optionally substituted heteroaryl-, optionally substituted aryl-, $R_{15}O-$ and $R_{17}-NH-$; R_{15} is chosen from optionallyl substituted alkyl and optionally substituted aryl; and R_{17} is chosen from hydrogen, optionally substituted alkyl and optionally substituted aryl.
- **22**. A compound according to claim **21**, wherein R_3 is chosen from phenyl; phenyl substituted with one or more of the following substituents: halo, C_1 - C_4 alkyl, C_1 - C_4 alkyl substituted with hydroxyl, C_1 - C_4 alkoxy, C_1 - C_4 alkyl substituted with C_1 - C_4 alkoxy, nitro, formyl, carboxy, cyano, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, acyl, —N-acyl, or trifluoromethyl; benzyl; phenoxymethyl-; halophenoxymethyl-; phenylvinyl-; heteroaryl- substituted with C_1 - C_4 alkyl substituted with halo; C_1 - C_4 alkyl substituted with C_1 - C_4 alkoxy- and benzyloxymethyl-.
- 23. A compound according to claim 22, wherein R₃ is chosen from phenyl, halophenyl, dihalophenyl, cyanophenyl, halo(trifluoromethyl)phenyl, hydroxymethylphenyl, methoxyphenyl, ethoxyphenyl, carboxyphenyl, ethylphenyl, tolyl, methylenedioxyphenyl, ethlenedixophenyl, methoxychlorophenyl, dihydro-benzodioxinyl, methylhalophenyl, trifluoromethylphenyl, bis(trifluoromethyl)phenylbenzyl, furanyl, C1-C4 alkyl substituted furanyl, trifluoromethylfuranyl, C₁-C₄ alkyl substituted trifluoromethylfuranyl, benzofuranyl, thiophenyl, C1-C4 alkyl substituted thiophenyl, benzothiophenyl, benzothiadiazolyl, pyridinyl, indolyl, methylpyridinyl, trifluoromethylpyridinyl, pyrrolyl, quinolinyl, piconlinyl, pyrazolyl, C₁-C₄ alkyl substituted pyrazolyl, N-methyl pyrazolyl, C₁-C₄ alkyl substituted N-methyl pyrazolyl, C₁-C₄ alkyl substituted pyrazinyl, C₁-C₄ alkyl substituted isoxazolyl, benzoisoxazolyl, morpholinomethyl, methylthiomethyl, methoxymethyl, N-methyl imidazolyl, and imidazolyl.
- **24**. A compound according to claim **23**, wherein R₃ is tolyl, halophenyl, halomethylphenyl, hydroxymethylphenyl, methylenedioxyphenyl, formylphenyl or cyanophenyl.
- **25**. A compound according to claim **1**, **2** or **3**, wherein R_{12} is $-N(R_4)(SO_2R_{3a})$ and R_{3a} is chosen from C_1 - C_{13} alkyl; phenyl; naphthyl; phenyl substituted with halo, C_1 - C_4 alkyl-, C_1 - C_4 alkoxy, cyano, nitro, methylenedioxy, or trifluoromethyl; biphenyl; and heteroaryl.
- **26**. A compound according to claim **25**, wherein R_{3a} is chosen from phenyl substituted with halo, C_1 - C_4 alkyl-, C_1 - C_4 alkoxy, cyano, nitro, methylenedioxy, or trifluoromethyl; and naphthyl.
- **27**. A compound according to claim **1**, **2** or **3**, wherein R_{12} is $-N(R_4)(CH_2R_{3b})$ and R_{3b} is chosen from C_1 - C_{13} alkyl; substituted C_1 - C_4 alkyl; phenyl; naphthyl; phenyl substituted with carboxy, alkoxycarbonyl, cyano, halo, C_1 - C_4 alkyl-, C_1 - C_4 alkoxy, nitro, methylenedioxy, or trifluoromethyl; biphenylyl; benzyl; and heterocyclyl.
- **28**. A compound according to claim **27**, wherein R_{3b} is chosen from phenyl substituted with one or more halo, methyl, methoxy, cyano, trifluoromethyl, trifluoromethoxy, carboxy, and or methoxycarbonyl groups; piperidinyl; and naphthyl.
- **29**. A compound according to claim **28**, wherein R_{3b} is chosen from halophenyl, polyhalophenyl, tolyl, dimethylphenyl, methoxyphenyl, dimethoxyphenyl, cyanophenyl, trifluoromethylphenyl, trifluoromethoxyphenyl, bis(trifluoromethyl)phenyl, carboxyphenyl, t-butylphenyl, methoxycarbonylphenyl, piperidinyl and naphthyl.
- **30**. A compound according to claim **1**, **2** or **3**, wherein R_{12} is $-N(R_4)(CH_2R_{3h})$ and R_4 is chosen from hydrogen, option-